Lesson Plan 19 Trigonometric Identities IV Parametric Equations, Math 48C Mitchell Schoenbrun

- 1) Attendance
- 2) Questions on Homework so far?

Example of half angle formula:

$$\sin(15^{\circ}) = \sin\left(\frac{30^{\circ}}{2}\right) = \pm\sqrt{\frac{1-\cos(30^{\circ})}{2}} = \pm\sqrt{\frac{1-\sqrt{3}/2}{2}} = \pm.258819$$

So which is it? .2588 or -.2588

Well 15° is in the first quadrant so .2588!

Hand out some problems to do in class

## PARAMETRIC EQUATIONS

If f and g are functions on an interval I, then the points (f(t),g(t)) is a plane curve.

The equations:

x = f(t) y = g(t) where  $t \in I$ , are PARAMETRIC EQUATIONS for the curve, with parameter t.

Example:

$$x = t^2 - 3t$$
$$y = t - 1$$

t	X	y
-2	10	-3 -2
-1	4	-2
0	0	-1
1	-2 -2	0
2	-2	1
3	0	2
1 2 3 4 5	4	3
5	10	4

**GRAPH THIS** 

Note that the equations are not unique. If you substitute:

t + 1 for t or even  $t^2+t-5$  the graph is the same:

Example: Removing the parameters:

$$x = t^2 - 3t$$

$$y = t - 1$$

$$t = y + 1$$

$$x = (y+1)^2 - 3(y+1) = y^2 - y - 2$$

Example Modeling Circular motion:

$$x = \cos t$$

$$y = \sin t$$

We can remove the t as follows: Square both equations and add

$$x^2 + y^2 = \cos^2 t + \sin^2 t = 1$$

Which is the equation of the unit circle

Example:

$$x = \sin t$$

$$y = 2 - \cos^2 t$$

square the first equation and subtract from the second giving

$$y - x^2 = 2 - \cos^2 t - \sin^2 t = 1$$

$$y = x^2 + 1$$

Which is a parabola with vertex at (1,0)

Finding a parametric equation:

Find equations for line that goes through point (2,6) with slope 3:

$$x = 2 + t$$
$$y = 6 + 3t$$

Removing the t we find that y=3x

The graphing Calculator can be used to show a curve using parametric equations:

Mode - PAR

Elipse x=3cos(t)

 $y=2\sin(t)$ 

Lissajous figures

 $x=\sin(2t)$ 

 $y=2\cos(t)$ 

 $x=\sin 3t$ 

y=2cost

Form of a Polar equation:

 $r = \theta$ 

 $x = t \cos t$ 

 $y = t \sin t$